



## Shreveport-Bossier Selected as Shooting Location for New Television Series “The Gates” from Fox Television Studios

*Series to Air on ABC*

**SHREVEPORT, La.** – The Shreveport-Bossier Film Office and the Office of the Mayors today announced that Fox Television Studios has selected Shreveport-Bossier to be the shooting location for ***The Gates***, the studio’s new one-hour drama series to air on ABC.

Created by Grant Scharbo (*The Mountain*) and Richard Hatem (*The Dead Zone*) who are executive-producing along with Gina Matthews, ***The Gates*** tells the story of a cop who gives up big city life to take a job as Chief of Police in a seemingly blissful suburban community, only to learn there is much more to the residents than meets the eye.

***The Gates*** begins shooting the first of 13 episodes on March 29th at Stageworks and at locations throughout the city. Fox Television Studios’ production offices for the series also will be based in Shreveport.

“We are extremely pleased and excited to be the new home of Shreveport-Bossier’s first big studio television series,” said Mayor Cedric B. Glover. “To be selected by Fox Television Studios is a clear indication that Shreveport-Bossier has what it takes to attract a series of this caliber and magnitude. ***The Gates*** will garner tremendous national and international attention for our area, and we are delighted to welcome Fox TV Studios and ABC to our community.”

The creative look and feel of the city’s locations, the high quality and availability of experienced crews, and the overall film-friendliness of Shreveport-Bossier all contributed to the decision to select Shreveport-Bossier for ***The Gates***.

Arlena Acree, Shreveport Director of Film, commented, “We competed with several other cities and states to bring ***The Gates*** to this area and we are hopeful this is just the beginning of a long collaboration with the studio and network. ***The Gates*** will strengthen our local film industry and will to continue to drive our crew and vendor base. We couldn’t be more thrilled to welcome ***The Gates*** to Shreveport-Bossier!”

“As a partner in the Shreveport-Bossier Film office, with the City of Shreveport and the Shreveport-Bossier Tourist and Convention Bureau, the City of Bossier City is proud and honored that Fox TV Studios and ABC have chosen to bring ***The Gates*** to our local community,” added Pam Glorioso, Bossier Film Liason.

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